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In re Application of :
Luehmann, et al. :
Application No.: 10/041,898 :
Filed: January 7, 2002 :
Attorney Docket No.: S0002-US02 :
For: PURIFIED WATER SUPPLY SYSTEM FOR :
HIGH DEMAND DEVICES AND APPLICATIONS :

DECISION GRANTING STATUS
UNDER 37 CFR 1.47(a)

This is in response to the reconsideration petition under 37 CFR 1.47(a), filed October 1, 2002.

The petition is granted.

Petitioners have shown that the non-signing inventor, Mr. Johnny W. Hannah, has refused to join in the filing of the above-identified application after having been presented with the application papers. Specifically, the petition establishes that the inventor was mailed a complete copy of the application papers numerous times, but orally refused to sign the declaration. Petitioners have submitted a declaration in compliance with 37 CFR 1.63 and 1.64.

This application and papers have been reviewed and found in compliance with 37 CFR 1.47(a). This application is hereby accorded Rule 1.47(a) status.

As provided in Rule 1.47(c), this Office will forward notice of this application's filing to the non-signing inventor at the address given in the petition. Notice of the filing of this application will also be published in the Official Gazette.

Pursuant to petitioners' authorization, deposit account no. 03-2316 will be charged the \$110.00 one month extension of time fee.

After this decision is mailed, the above-identified application will be forwarded to the Office of Initial Patent Examination for further processing.

Telephone inquiries should be directed to the undersigned at (703) 308-6712.

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LETTER

Dear Mr. Hannah:

You are named as a joint inventor in the above identified United States patent application, filed under the provisions of 35 U.S.C. 116 (United States Code), and 37 CFR 1.47(a), Rules of Practice in Patent Cases. Should a patent be granted on the application you will be designated therein as a joint inventor.

As a named inventor you are entitled to inspect any paper in the file wrapper of the application, order copies of all or any part thereof (at a prepaid cost per 37 CFR 1.19) or make your position of record in the application. Alternatively, you may arrange to do any of the preceding through a registered patent attorney or agent presenting written authorization from you. If you care to join the application, counsel of record (see below) would presumably assist you. Joining in the application would entail the filing of an appropriate oath or declaration by you pursuant to 37 CFR 1.63.

Requests for information regarding your application should be directed to the File Information Unit at (703)308-2733. Information regarding how to pay for and order a copy of the application, or a specific paper in the application, should be directed to Certification Division at (703)308-9726 or 1(800)972-6382 (outside the Washington D.C. area).

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